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Beaman et al.

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TEST PROBE AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF

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I hereby certify that Amendment (39 Pages) and Added Drawings (12 pages) are being facsimile transmitted to the LLS Patent and Trademark Office to (703) 872-9308 on March 8, 2004.

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CORRECTED AMENDMENT

IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT 37 CFR 1,121 DATED FEBRUARY 6, 2004

In response to Office Action dated July 17, 2002, please consider the following:

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In view of the changes to the claims and the remarks herein, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the above-identified application. If the Examiner wishes to discuss the application further, or if additional information would be required, the undersigned will cooperate fully to assist in the prosecution of this application.

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In the event that this amendment does not result in allowance of all such claims, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests a telephone interview at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

MPEP 713.01 states in part as follows:

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